




MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: September 20, 2007

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item IV(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing an amendment to contract MRCA 110/07 with Powell Constructors Inc. for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing Consideration of resolution authorizing an amendment to contract MRCA 110/07 with Powell Constructors Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.

Background: The Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project is currently under construction, and the authorized improvements are 98% complete. Change orders to the original bid have totaled less than 10%, leaving a portion of the contingency budget unspent. Improvements to be added to the project include additional trees, visitor amenities, and picnic areas. A request for supplemental funding to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is in progress.

Because the project is so close to completion, expected to open in November, the standard three-bid process would delay public use of the park, as well as result in higher costs if a different contractor were chosen. Powell Constructors Inc. has performed satisfactorily on this project, and already has their operation in place on the site.